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CAVE-IN PERIL CAUSES CLOSING OF MORE STREETS

Mayor Directs Traffic Be
Stopped on Parts of Lex-
ington and Park Aves.

MANY UNDERMINED SECTIONS FOUND SAFE

Engineers Inspect Miles of Sub-
way Work—Broadway Mer-
chants Suffer by Shut-Off.

STREETS STILL CLOSED TO TROLLEY TRAFFIC

Streetcar traffic, hampered by the
Seventh Avenue and Broadway cave-
ins, became almost normal yester-
day.
The only streets still closed to
streetcars now are Broadway, from
Twenty-sixth to Forty-third Street,
and Seventh Avenue, from Green-
wich Street to Thirty-third Street.
Columbus and Amsterdam Avenue
cars are being run through Sixth
Avenue to take care of passengers
in the restricted Broadway and Sev-
enth Avenue areas, the transfer to
cross-town lines method causing
through passengers very little in-
convenience.
Other traffic is prohibited at the
following points: East and west-
cross Broadway at Twenty-seventh,
Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thir-
tieth, Thirty-fifth, Thirty-seventh
and Thirty-eighth streets.

Following a conference with his ad-
visory board of engineers, appointed
after the subway cave-in on Broadway
Saturday night, Mayor Mitchell last
evening sent a letter to Chairman Mc-
Call of the Public Service Commission
recommending that traffic be excluded
from more sections of streets where
subway menaces public safety.

These streets are Lexington Avenue,
from Forty-second to Forty-third
Street, and Park Avenue, from Forty-
second to Forty-third Street.
The Mayor's experts, after another
trip under Broadway, from Twenty-
sixth to Thirty-third Street, found ad-
ditional cause to warrant apprehension.
The experts also found that on Lex-
ington Avenue, between Forty-second
and Forty-third streets, where the New
York Central is tunnelling, it will be
necessary to install diagonal transverse
bracings to remove danger. And on
Park Avenue, between Forty-second
and Forty-third streets, the board recom-
mended the police should hold heavy
vehicles to a slow rate of progress.

In proceeding cautiously in the mod-
ification of traffic restrictions, the
members of the Mayor's board are ac-
tually on the consideration that nobody
knows how substantial is the rock
formation in the walls of the exca-
vated places along the lines of the
new subway. The statement of Chair-
man McCall yesterday that the "east
side of Broadway, from Thirty-fourth
to Forty-second Street, is imperilled
because of an untrustworthy rock base
shows the alarm of the commission's
engineers who advised Mr. McCall
over this phase of subway construction.

Mayor's Order Criticized.

The rather sweeping order issued by
the Mayor to close streets under which
subways are being tunneled was criti-
cized yesterday by Travis H. Whitney,
secretary of the Public Service Com-
mission, who, calling it "hysterical,"
declared that many of the places desig-
nated in the order were not affected by
subway building.
On paper the traffic ban looked yester-
day in much more terrible form
than it did actually in operation. Save
on Broadway, from Thirty-seventh to
Thirty-ninth Street, it was possible for
storekeepers to get supplies and to
order to customers who did not feel
inconvenienced in walking a few blocks
to the places they desired to patronize.
Pedestrians who had business on the
blocks affected were permitted to pass
through the police lines. Of course,
shopkeepers who depend largely for
their income on transient trade are
being energetically against the situa-
tion.

Today Nelson P. Lewis, chief en-
gineer of the Board of Estimate, will call
on the Public Service Commissioners
and their engineers and present the
recommendations and suggestions de-
cided on by the Mayor's advisory board.

Experts Respond to Call.

Two of the three out-of-town subway
experts sought by the commission as
aids in solving the present problem sent
their acceptance yesterday. Edmund S.
Davis, chief engineer of the Boston
subway, and Henry H. Quincy, of the
Philadelphia subway, sent word that
they would arrive here this morning
about 10 o'clock. The third man, D. C.
Francis, chief engineer of the San Fran-
cisco subway, left San Francisco last
Friday for Alaska.
Following is the letter sent to Mr.
McCall last evening by Mayor Mitchell:
"Dear Mr. Chairman: The board of
engineers appointed by me to examine
the subway construction work and re-
commendations concerning a mate-
rial portion of the work under way. I
transmit these to you at once for your
consideration."
"The engineers to-day made a rein-
spection of the Broadway district, com-
prising Sixth Street north to Thirty-
third Street, and are more convinced
than they were yesterday that there
exists within this district a grave dan-
ger at the present time. Mr. Lewis will
suggest to you certain detailed steps
even in their judgment, are necessary
even in addition to those which I in-
dicated in my letter of the opinion that
a general bracing, which is in process
of construction in accordance with the
recommendations made yesterday, is
hardly of a satisfactory nature. Until
your committee is able to go into this

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New York

First to Last—the Truth: News - Editorials - Advertisements
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1915.

City Fired by Tank Car; Blazing Spray Kills 31

250-Barrel Gasoline Car Explodes, Shattering Buildings
and Injuring 200 at Ardmore, Okla.—
Many Girls Thought Lost.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)
Ardmore, Okla., Sept. 27.—At least
thirty-one persons were killed and it
is estimated 200 others were injured
dangerously here this afternoon when
a 250-barrel tank car of gasoline stand-
ing near the Santa Fe freight office in
the business district exploded. The
force of the explosion shook down
many buildings and threw burning
gasoline all over the city. A few min-
utes later Ardmore was at the mercy
of scores of fires.
At 6:30 o'clock to-night the fires were
under control and the city was under
martial law. Private homes were im-
mediately thrown open to the injured,
and scores of men were working to-
night in the smoldering ruins along
Main Street in search for additional
victims.

Every Window Shattered.

All school buildings, business houses
and residences within twelve blocks of
the explosion, practically every win-
dow in the city was shattered. The
property loss is placed at \$500,000.
Two workmen were repairing the
tank car at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.
Suddenly one of them struck it with a
hammer. A spark from the blow ig-
nited fumes escaping through a small
leak. There was a terrific explosion
followed by many smaller ones. The
workmen were blown to pieces. The
shock shattered the Ardmore passen-
ger station used by the Santa Fe,
Rock Island and Rock Island railroads.
The Rock Island freight station and scores
of other buildings quickly took fire
from the flying liquid, and were de-
stroyed.
The flames spread rapidly until all
of Main Street appeared a roaring fur-
nace. Thirty-four cars in the Santa Fe
freight yards were destroyed. The

POISON AS TONIC DISTRIBUTED FREE

Department Store Gets Bi-
chloride of Mercury with
Nerve Remedy.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)
Philadelphia, Sept. 27.—Bichloride of
mercury solution, used to disinfect
drinking glasses, was accidentally
mixed with samples of a nerve tonic
and distributed free to more than fifty
persons in a Market Street department
store here to-day. Two of those who
drank the solution are known to be in
hospitals suffering from the effects of
the poison and many more are believed
to be affected in their homes.

On the counter where the tonic was
sold were kept three bowls, two filled
with water and a third containing the
bichloride solution. After the store
patrons had tasted the tonic the dem-
onstrator was supposed to dip the
used glasses first in one bowl of water,
then in the poison solution, to destroy
all germs and cleanse the glasses.
No one knows exactly how the bi-
chloride got into the tonic, and it was
more than an hour before the mistake
was discovered. When some declared
that it was too bitter, an investigation
led to the discovery.

Joseph Baker, superintendent of the
demonstration, tasted the tonic, vis-
ited the counter and tasted the
liquid himself when he learned of the
complaints.
"It was bitter as gall," he declared,
"and I immediately realized that the
young women demonstrators had ac-
cidentally mixed the bichloride with the
tonic."

MAYOR FOR GARY PLAN IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Tells Churchill He Wants Re-
organization of System in 1916.

Reorganization of all the elementary
schools according to the Gary plan dur-
ing 1916 is suggested in a letter from
Mayor Mitchell to President Churchill,
of the Board of Education. A year has
passed since the plan was first started
here as a result of the visit of Presi-
dent Churchill and the Mayor to Gary,
Ind., and other Western cities. The
Mayor expressed the greatest satisfac-
tion in the success of the idea here
and the wide spread public approval
with which it has been met. He added:
"I am interested in the Gary plan
because it seems to me the greatest im-
provement in the education of the chil-
dren. Has not the time come for gen-
eral application of the plan to all the
city's schools?"
"In view of the present financial
burdens of the city, it is fortunate that
we have available a method of utilizing
the school facilities which will enable
us to keep down expenses for new
buildings and equipment while actually
improving the quality of education."
"I suggest that your Board give im-
mediate consideration to the feasibility
of reorganizing at least the elementary
schools according to the Gary plan dur-
ing the year 1916. I have advised Mr.
Wirt to submit to me for my informa-
tion a suggestion for applying his re-
commendations to the schools as I
have indicated. I shall be glad to con-
fer with you and your associates in the
board in reference to this matter, but
that a definite plan may be formulated
before the 1916 budget is adopted."

TURKS EXPEL PRIESTS

Catholics Forced to Leave Constani-
nople, Sofia Hears.

London, Sept. 27.—A Sofia dispatch
to Reuters says:
"According to private advices from
Constantinople, the Turks are expel-
ling all Catholic priests from that
city."

ALLIES' BANKERS' AUSTRIA TO CALL TRAIN COMBED DR. DUMBA HOME; IN BOMB SEARCH PASSPORTS READY

Detectives Guard Hotel
and Street as They Leave
for Chicago.

WEST TO BE URGED TO WELCOME LOAN

Announcement of Terms Ex-
pected Soon—Big Packers
Favor Flotation, Is Report.

The fast New York Central train
which left here yesterday for Chicago
with Baron Reading, Lord Chief Jus-
tice of England, and three of his as-
sociates in the Anglo-French financial
commission aboard was inspected and
policed as never before when it rolled
out of the Grand Central Terminal.
The commissioners were bound for
Chicago to confer with Western bank-
ers over the tentative terms of the
proposed half billion dollar credit loan
to Great Britain and France. During
their stay in this city members of
the commission have received threat-
ening letters from persons hostile to
the loan, and the police have taken
unusual precautions to guard them
from harm.

These precautions were extended yester-
day to their departure for Chicago.
Twenty detectives and plainclothes
men were scattered through the lob-
bies of the hotel where the commis-
sion has been staying, as the time
for their departure approached. An-
other squad, in which was a sprinkling
of railroad detectives, awaited the
commission in the Grand Central Ter-
minal, and still others were stationed
at intervals along the short route
which the commissioners took from
the hotel to the station.

Entire Train Searched.

The train was under surveillance
from the moment it was made up.
One car was set aside for the commis-
sion and this coach was scrutinized
more closely, perhaps, than any other.
Every article of furniture in it was
examined. Before the car was thrown
open, the contents of all other coaches
were given a less painstaking inspec-
tion, but hardly less thorough.
After the train had been made up
railroad detectives went over the cars
carefully from the outside, even ex-
amining the tracks and bearings to
make sure no dangerous missile or
bomb had been secreted in any part
of the train. The engine was rigidly
examined and no one, except detectives
and the crew, were permitted to go
near the train till it was ready for
passengers.

All passengers boarding the train
passed through a line of detectives who
scrutinized them and their baggage closely.
When the train departed railroad detectives
were said to be aboard. Some of
Reading's friends had urged him to
permit at least two detectives to
reserve accommodations in the commis-
sion's car, but it is understood he
rejected this suggestion.

Commission Hopes to Dispel Sectional Flavor from Loan

(From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.)
Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 27.—On board
yesterday's "Century" train, the United
States' representatives to the Anglo-French
financial mission will make formal an-
nouncement on Thursday or Friday of
this week that its negotiations with
this country for a \$500,000,000 loan for the
Allies have been successful. There will
be made public at the same time the
names of the bankers whom the mis-
sion has selected to form the under-
writing syndicate.

No intimation has yet been given in
official quarters of what banks and
banking firms will be asked to under-
take the formation of the distributing
syndicate. As a matter of course, it
will include J. P. Morgan & Co., the
National City Bank and such institu-
tions as the First National, Chase Na-
tional and the Guaranty Trust Com-
pany, with a number of important out-
of-town banks, like the Continental
and Commercial and the First National
of Chicago. The effort will be made
to make the committee of organization
as broad as possible to emphasize the
nation-wide character of the loan op-
eration.

Because of the immense size of the
loan, it is expected to take several
weeks to complete the enrollment of the
syndicate members. Every bank and
issuing house that seeks participation
will be asked to make a statement of
the commission will be, cannot be de-
finitely determined until the mission
has had its conferences with the West-
ern bankers. It will not be less, how-
ever, than 10 per cent.

Seek to Overcome Apathy.

The mission is on its way West with
all the principles of the loan settled,
but with the details subject to such
modifications as may be thought ad-
visable by the Western bankers to in-
sure a ready sale of the notes in all
the great investment centres of the
country. Such changes as may be
made as a result of the visit to Chi-
cago will be made before the return
of the long time issues for which they
are a ready sale.

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ELSEWHERE TWO CENTS.

Allied Troops Push On As Foe's Line Stiffens; Hold All Ground Gained

KAISER WILL MOVE TO LUXEMBURG; PLANS TO DISPLACE CROWN PRINCE

(By Cable to The Tribune.)
London, Sept. 27.—The Kaiser intends to move to Luxembourg in Octo-
ber, says an Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company.
Instructions already have been issued regarding the transfer, according
to advices from Berlin.

The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, through which German troops passed
on their way to the attack on the French at the outbreak of the war, is close
to the fighting line. The city of Luxembourg, the capital, is hardly more
than fifty miles in a direct line from Verdun.

The German Crown Prince will soon be relieved of his command on the
western front, if the change has not already been made, according to a Ger-
man officer just brought prisoner to England.

This officer said that the real reason for the Crown Prince's mental
condition, recently reported, was due to fear that he would be superseded
because of his failure against the Allies.

The Crown Prince, this officer said, repeatedly ordered attacks known
to be foolhardy by other experienced officers, but would not listen to advice.
On two occasions prominent members of his staff pleaded with him not to
sacrifice men, in view of certain repulse, but the Crown Prince paid no heed.
"It is not surprising," the officer said, "that the Crown Prince has
broken down, as he was constantly on duty and refused to take a proper
rest. He was blindly obsessed with the desire to smash the enemy's line,
with the result that a serious nervous condition set in."

The German prophesied that the Crown Prince's place would be taken
by von Mackensen, who would leave the eastern forces so entrenched for
the winter that the Russians would be unable to force them back or break
through.

May Take the Rotterdam.

They are ready, however, to hurry
negotiations for the safe conduct
from Vienna in order that Dr. Dumba
may sail on the steamer Rotterdam Wednes-
day, in accordance with his plan.

Celville Barclay, chargé d'affaires
of the British Embassy, called on Acting
Secretary Polk at the State Department
to-day. Later the acting Secretary
stated that the necessary information
which would assure Dr. Dumba's safe
conduct past the German frontier would
be furnished within a few hours if Vienna's
acquiescence to the American request
for his recall should arrive in time.

Written assurances that Mrs. Dumba
could proceed on the Rotterdam with-
out fear of interference from British
or French authorities was mailed Sat-
urday, the allied embassies having no-
tified the department that safe conduct
was superfluous in the case of a non-
combatant.

Mrs. Dumba Goes Away.
Dr. Polk said his understanding was
that Mrs. Dumba would not change
her plans for departure, no matter
what disposition was made of her hus-
band's case. It will not be necessary
for either Mrs. Dumba or the ambas-
sador to carry any papers from the
embassies of their enemies. They will
travel with no other security than the
word of the British and French ambas-
sadors that they will not be molested.
Passports issued by the State Depart-
ment will furnish means of identifica-
tion.

It is known here that Dr. Dumba
has been informed by his government that
he would be recalled and that he ex-
pects the note to this government to
arrive at any moment.

If the Austrian note arrives at the
State Department even as late as to-
morrow, Dr. Dumba could make his
boat. The ambassador's passports,
which are already prepared, would be
sent to New York by special messenger.
Dr. Dumba, at Lenox, would be
notified by telegraph that the arrange-
ments were complete and he could at
once proceed to load his seventy trunks
on the train for New York.

Britain May Object to Dumba Going by Channel Boat Line

Tentative reservations for Ambassa-
dor and Mrs. Dumba on the Holland-
America liner Rotterdam were made
several days ago, according to a re-
porter. The company's local office,
but no assurance was given that the
diplomat would depart by that vessel.
"Reservation was hardly necessary,"
said the representative, "as there will
be plenty of room on board when the
vessel departs."
The Rotterdam was scheduled to sail
to-day, but the vessel's trip to Newport
New for repairs caused this morn-
ing to be changed to Wednesday.
It was the belief in some of the
steamship offices yesterday that Great
Britain would not consent to the return
of Dumba on a steamship going
through the English Channel. The
Dutch line in particular has been ob-
jected to because of its stop at Fal-
mouth. The main objection is that the
admiralty does not wish a representa-
tive of the enemy to steam through the
Channel, where he can observe the
naval activity in those waters. The ob-
jection was considered when Dr. Dumba
was preparing to leave this country.

Zeppelins Head Seaward

Two, with Battle Flags Flying, Re-
ported Over Northern Holland.
Amsterdam, Sept. 27.—Two Zeppelins
flew over northern Holland this morn-
ing, travelling in a northwesterly di-
rection. Both displayed the German
battle flag. They were at a great
height and going fast.
A few hours later one of the airships
returned to its base.

120 AIRMEN HOLD JOY FESTIVAL NEAR PARIS

Celebrate Victories of Allies
Over Suburb of Capital.

Paris, Sept. 27.—At one point in the
environs of Paris yesterday 120 airmen
went into the air in a spontaneous
demonstration of joy over the vic-
tories for the arms of the Allies. The
point from which they rose is one of
the railway transfer stations of the
Paris belt line, and the arrival of ten
trainloads of German prisoners
brought the first indication of the suc-
cesses.

One airman after another rose, waving
the tricolor, until 120 machines
were manoeuvring.
Parisians who had heard that Ger-
man prisoners were passing through
the suburb went there in considerable
numbers to-day in the hope of seeing
them as they went by. The excu-
sionists brought camp stools, lunch baskets
and opera glasses with them. The best
observation point was the railway
bridge, and where the thickest of the ex-
cited crowds assembled.

BRITISH WARSHIP SUNK BY GERMANS

Two Damaged in Attack Along
Belgian Coast, Berlin Says.

Berlin, Sept. 27.—(By wireless to
Tuckerton, N. J.)—One British warship
was sunk and two others were damaged
in the attack by a British squadron on
German batteries along the Belgian
coast, especially at Zebrugge, si-
multaneously with the launching of the
Allied offensive movement on land, ac-
cording to the German official state-
ment of September 26. After these
losses the British ships withdrew.
The official statement enumerates the
capture of more than 5,000 French and
British prisoners and several machine
guns in the land fighting at various
points along the front.

Berlin Silent on Austrian Note.

Berlin, Sept. 27.—This morning's
newspapers, almost without exception,
publish only resums of the new
Austro-Hungarian note to the United
States and refrain absolutely from
commenting on it.

WEATHER
FAIR TO-DAY, PROBABLY FAIR
TO-MORROW.
Yesterday's Temperature:
High, 62; Low, 46.
Full Report on Page 10.

Sports and Sportsmanship

Nothing is so typical of a gentleman as the way he takes
his play. Nothing is so typical of a newspaper's char-
acter as its method of handling sports.

Whether you read The Tribune's Sporting Page for
news of football, or baseball, or tennis, or Grantland
Rice's Sportlight, you will find that the keynote is
Sportsmanship—keen Sportsmanship. And it covers
every field. You will find it well worth reading every
day.

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